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Our Case No. 10508/08

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In re Application of:

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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned application, please amend the application as follows.